SUBJECT NAACP

FILE NUMBER 61-3176

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Director, FBI

October 13, 1949

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We believe you will be interested in the following information:

On October 10, 1949 approximately 75 individuals, allegedly representing the Brooklyn Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, conducted a picket demonstration in front of the City Hall in New York City. This picketing was conducted from 12:[illegible] noon until 1:30 PM to protest against alleged acts of police brutality against Negroes in New York City. The pickets carried placards with inscriptions "Open hearings now Mayor O'Dwyer, quit stalling on [illegible] charges of police brutality" and "Mayor O'Dwyer take the lid off facts, open hearings now."

At 12:30 PM a delegation entered the City Hall to officially petition Mayor O'Dwyer to conduct a full scale investigation of the police department relative to charges of police brutality. This delegation remained in the City Hall until 1:30 PM. It has been reported that the following individuals comprised the above mentioned delegation: Charles H. Heller, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Brooklyn NAACP; Charles H. Levy, Executive Secretary of the New York branch of the NAACP; Clarence [illegible] Hart, Chairman of the Staten Island Branch of the NAACP; Reverend Charles [illegible] Carrington, Chairman of the Jamaica Branch of the NAACP; Reverend James E. Fey of the Mt. Carmel Branch of the NAACP; Lester Hindstein, Vice President of the American Jewish Congress; Thelma Ostrau, Chairman of the Legal Redress Committee of the Brooklyn Youth Committee; and Guy B. Brewer.

It has been reported that among the individuals observed on the picket line were [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

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(New York teletype 10/11/49 captioned [redacted] (b)(7)(E), NAACP, ISC)

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 10/7/49

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: Distributing Literature and Soliciting Members and Funds Bureau Field Offices

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Reference is made to the attached communication from SAC Scheidt dated September 30, 1949, enclosing a photostatic copy of a letter dated September 29, 1949 received by Mr. Scheidt from Mr. Charles A. Levy, Executive Secretary, New York Branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, requesting the New York Office to participate in the 1949 membership and fund raising campaign of that organization.

I have discussed this matter with Mr. Scheidt and he informed me that the letter in question was typewritten and signed but definitely appears to be a form type letter which was made up and sent to a number of Governmental agencies. Mr. Scheidt feels that we should simply ignore the letter since he does not feel that any specific reply or action is required at this time unless the Bureau desires to comply with this request. Mr. Scheidt points out that he does not see how we can comply with this request and turn down numerous other requests which are received from individuals and organizations for the same type of assistance. He feels to accept this request and turn down others would be discriminatory and I agree. I asked Mr. Scheidt if he knew of any instructions from the Bureau as to the procedure in handling such requests and he said he knows of no written instructions from the Bureau. He said he has always followed the policy of weighing each request, to determine the nature of the organization and the type of assistance requested and then deciding accordingly.

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I have discussed this same matter with SAC Hottel and he stated he knows of no specific instructions from the Bureau on this matter and his general policy is to turn down any such requests received from such organizations on the ground that we cannot handle them all and to handle one or two would be discriminatory. Both SACs Scheidt and Hottel admit that in connection with national campaigns which are sponsored by the President or are given Governmental support, of course appropriate solicitations are made among the various Bureau employees. Such solicitations for contributions would include the Red Cross, Community Chest, March of Dimes and the like. There are also some local type contributions which are peculiar to a particular city which are asked for and made. Mr. Hottel said he had in mind in this connection the drive to secure funds for the National Symphony Orchestra and the Metropolitan Police Boys Club.

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Within the Bureau itself we do a certain amount of soliciting of funds for Bureau sponsored activities such as the Boy Scout Troop sponsored by the FBI American Legion Post. We have also assisted the FBI American Legion Post in obtaining members from among FBI employees. We do not, however, solicit membership in other veterans organizations which do not have posts within the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that in connection with the request received by the New York Office from the local office of the NAACP that since this appears to be simply a form letter and is something which we normally would not do, that we disregard the communication.

I also recommend the attached SAC Letter to the field advising of the Bureau's general policy with respect to such matters.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

New York, N. Y.
September 30, 1949.

Director, FBI

Attention: Mr. J. J. McGuire

Re: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, 2272 - 7th Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to my telephone conversation of September 30, 1949 with Mr. J. J. McGuire of the Bureau, there is attached copy of letter dated September 29, 1949, received by this office from Mr. Charles A. Levy, Executive Secretary, New York Branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 2272 - 7th Avenue, New York 30, N.Y., requesting this office to participate in the 1949 membership and fund-raising campaign of this organization.

Pursuant to my conversation with Mr. McGuire, the communication from Mr. Levy is not being acknowledged by this office pending advice from the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD SCHEIDT
SAC

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The New York Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
69 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 3, N. Y.

September 29, 1948

Mr. Edward Scheidt
Special Agent in Charge
New York Field Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Court House, Foley Sq.
New York 7, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Scheidt:

During the 1948 membership and fund-raising campaign many departments of the government cooperated with the New York Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by assigning a member of its personnel to receive and distribute literature, and serve as a depository for donations and memberships. We are therefore asking your cooperation in our 1949 project.

As you know, the N.A.A.C.P. is a non-profit organization which fights for Civil Rights vouchsafed to all citizens by our national Constitution.

We will be most grateful to you for any considerationyou can give us in our 1949 fund-raising and membership campaign and will send upon request literature, solicitation sheets and membership envelopes to the person you designate.

Enclosed for your convenience is a self-addressed envelope.

Appreciatively yours,

Charles A. Lev
Executive Secretary

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November 25, 1949

Director, FBI

RE: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY -C

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Dear Sir:

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Office Memorandum — UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 23, 1948

FROM : [redacted], Honolulu

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NAACP
IN THE HONOLULU DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
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Reference is made to the report of SA [redacted] dated November 5, 1948 at Honolulu captioned "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Internal Security - C" and Bureau letter dated November 22, 1948.

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202 U. S. Court House
El Paso, Texas
December 27, 1949

DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE.

CHARACTER: INTERNAL SECURITY-C

EP FILE NO. 100-3755
ALBUQUERQUE FILE NO
BUREAU FILE NO.

Dear Sir:

Due to the opening of the New Mexico Office, the following indicated changes should be made in connection with the above-captioned case:

(x) Office of origin changed to Albuquerque.

(x) Entire file transferred to Albuquerque and this case is considered Referred Upon Completion to the Office of Origin by the El Paso Division.

( ) Following pertinent serials forwarded Albuquerque, N.M. Division and this case remains in a pending status in the El Paso Division. Office of origin is _____.

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Albuquerque, N.M. Division will comprise the entire State of New Mexico beginning December 27, 1949. You should route reports and data pertaining to this case, according to the reallocation of territory.

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Very truly yours,

J. K. BROWN

cc: Albuquerque

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Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

CONFIDENTIAL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 3, 1950

FROM : [redacted] HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: [redacted] NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE COLORED PEOPLE --
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With reference to the impending conference being sponsored by the [redacted] captioned organization in Washington, which will open on January 15 and which will be known as the National Civil Rights Mobilization. [redacted] (b)(1)

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The Bureau will be advised of pertinent developments and the con[redacted] ference [redacted] c G.I.R. (b)(1)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 9, 1950

FROM : SAC, Honolulu

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NAACP,
IN THE HONOLULU DIVISION
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Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 10, 1950

FROM : [redacted] New York

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE IT THE NEW YORK DIVISION INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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The following information has been received by the New York office regarding the National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization called by the NAACP for January 15, to 17, 1950, in Washington, D.C.

The New York office by letter dated September 1, 1949, in captioned matter, furnished the Bureau a copy of the resolution adopted by the organization at the 40th Convention held during December 1949. As set forth in the resolutions adopted and as reported in the New York "Amsterdam News", October 29, 1949, the NAACP has announced that a nation-wide drive to secure the enactment of Civil Rights Resolution has been instituted and that as part of this nation-wide mobilization, representatives of the 1600 branches of the organization will meet in Washington, D.C., from January 15 to 17, 1950. It is planned that a mass meeting will be held and that a series of conferences will be conducted with members of Congress during this mobilization.

With the announcement of this national mobilization, the Civil Rights Congress and other Communist Party Negro front organizations offered their support to the NAACP.

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In a series of three articles in the "Daily Worker", December 15, 16, and 17, 1949, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, Jr., Communist Party National Committee

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member, calls attention to the "NAACP 1950 Civil Rights Crusade". DAVIS refers to the crusade as "an undertaking of major importance", and calls for unity of all organizations, Negro and White, in support of the crusade. DAVIS criticized "certain leaders of the NAACP" who played into the hands of the "reactionary disrupters" and enemies of militant Negro unity by following a policy of seeking to exclude Left Trade Union Progressives and political organizations from the list of cooperating organizations. In the final article by DAVIS in this series concerning the crusade to Washington, DAVIS again reiterated that the crusade was an undertaking of major importance and deserved the widest support of trade union and people's organizations. He stated that only by the largest possible turnout of all Negro people and their labor and progressive allies in Washington can the crusade be a success. He pointed out that the ban on "Left" organizations by the NAACP would not keep the individuals in these organizations from supporting the crusade. He stated "Left Progressive and imperialist forces - including Communists who are to be found in nearly all people's and labor organizations - will not fail to do everything possible to help establish these guarantees which will bring the success of this undertaking. They will, one is confident, work in a more respectable and constructive manner, associating themselves unhesitatingly with people's aims and objectives of the project, in the present preparatory stages and in the January 15 climaxes. As is their custom, they will seek to be among the best fighters for the unity and struggle alongside the most divergent forces to strengthen and achieve a program of the mobilization. They will combine with the overwhelming majority of Negro and other anti-Fascist forces to prevent any splitting, disruptive taxes from enemy agents."

The New York "Amsterdam News", December 31, 1949, reported that the "NAACP initiated National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization" with ROY WILKINS and ARNOLD ARESON, Chairman and Secretary respectively, announced that "all Left Wing organizations would be banned from participation in the campaign". In this article it is reported that the following organizations were specifically banned by the NAACP from participation in this mobilization: The Civil Rights Congress and all political parties - "and the following ten unions under investigation by the CIO on charges of Communist domination: American Communications Association; Fisherman and Allied Workers; Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied Workers; United Public Workers; United Office and Professional Workers of America; United Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers; International Longshoremen and Warehousemen; Marine, Cooks, and Stewards; United Furniture Workers". It was reported in this article that each delegate

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will be required to present an official letter from one of the sponsor[redacted] organizations.

The "Daily Worker", January 6, 1950, page 2, column 1, reported that LINDSAY H. WHITE, President of the New York Branch of the NAACP, has called a Civil Rights Conference for Thursday, January 12, 1950, to be held at the Harlem YWCA, New York City. This conference reportedly "will prepare the way for participation by Negroes in the National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization".

It is reported in this article that WHITE in commenting on the mobilization stated, "I want to welcome the participation of every individual who is ready to stand up for equality and justice for all Americans." He further stated, "If Civil Rights legislation, so vital to the Democratic well being of us all, is to be based on the second session of the 81st Congress, then all of us must join forces to make our representatives in Washington carry out their promises."

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No information has been received by this office to date relative to the date and place of a mass meeting in Washington or of the schedule of meetings with Congressmen as outlined by the NAACP. No information has been received concerning the actual number of delegates being sent from the New York area to attend this Mobilization. The Bureau will be advised of the details of the NAACP Mobilization as they are received by this office.

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cc: Mr. Ladd
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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

January 12, 1950

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NATIONAL EMERGENCY CIVIL RIGHTS MOBILIZATION
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A National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization will be held in Washington, D. C., January 15-17, 1950. This mobilization was initiated by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to seek the enactment of civil rights legislation during the current session of Congress.

Support of the mobilization was asked of various organizations, societies, and individuals sincerely interested in securing civil rights for all. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has publicly refused an offer of support of the mobilization made by the Civil Rights Congress, explaining assistance from Communist-dominated organizations and individuals with Communist sympathies was not welcomed. Local chapters of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People were instructed to refuse recognition of Communists as delegates to the mobilization.

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Further details concerning this mobilization received from reliable confidential informants indicate that the Departmental Auditorium will be made available from 9:00 A. M. to 10:00 P. M. on authority of "near Cabinet level." Attendance at the gathering is not expected to exceed 1650 persons. Preliminary arrangements have been made to charter buses for transportation of delegates from Union Station to the Departmental Auditorium and to the Capitol. (WFO teletype 1-11-50)

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The substance of this information has been furnished to General Vaughan, Admiral Souers and to the Intelligence Agencies of the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Any additional pertinent information received concerning this matter will be furnished to you promptly.

cc: Acting Assistant Attorney General Francis X. Walker
Criminal Division

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, CONVENTION BEING HELD WASHINGTON, D. C. JANUARY 15 TO JANUARY 17, NEXT.

RE ALBANY TELETYPE JANUARY 11, LAST. [redacted]

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE /NAACP/, IS-C.

APPROXIMATELY SEVENTYFIVE PERSONS ALLEGED REPRESENTING THE BROOKLYN BRANCH NAACP CONDUCTED A PICKET DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF CITY HALL, NYC FROM TWELVE TO ONE THIRTY PM TODAY TO PROTEST AGAINST ALLEGED ACTS OF POLICE BRUTALITY AGAINST NEGROES IN NYC. PICKETS CARRIED PLACARDS WITH INSCRIPTIONS "OPEN HEARINGS NOW MAYOR O-DWYER, QUIT STALLING ON NAACP CHARGES OF POLICE BRUTALITY", "MAYOR O-DWYER TAKE THE LID OFF FACTS, OPEN HEARINGS NOW". AT TWELVE THIRTY PM THE FOLLOWING DELEGATION ENTERED CITY HALL TO OFFICIALLY PETITION MAYOR O-DWYER TO CONDUCT

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, WFO URGENT

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE CONVENTION BEING HELD WASHINGTON, D.C. JANUARY 15 TO JANUARY 17 NEXT.

[redacted] IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER WFO HAS CONFERENCE COVERED THROUGH INFORMANTS. WFO ADVISE BUREAU RE COVERAGE.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE; IS-C [redacted]

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Mobilization legitimately sponsored by NAACP although CP attempting to infiltrate and influence. WFO has adequate informant coverage.

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NATIONAL EMERGENCY CIVIL RIGHTS MOBILIZATION
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Reference is made to Baltimore teletype dated January 10, 1950, captioned Communist Party, USA, Negro Question, Internal Security - C."

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Appropriate authorities of the Metropolitan Police Department should be advised of this information in view of the possibility of some disorderly activity resulting from a refusal to grant admittance of Negroes to restaurants or other public places.

Coverage of this mobilization to determine the extent of Communist influence should be limited to utilization of reliable and established sources.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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NAACP Assn. for the Advancement of The Colored People

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INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM [redacted] TO EFFECT THAT IS SPONSORING HOME CIVIL

RIGHTS MOBILIZATION IN WASHINGTON, DC, JANUARY 16 AND 17, NEXT.

DEPARTMENTAL AUDITORIUM BEING MADE AVAILABLE FROM 9:00 A. M. TO 10:00 P. M.

ON AUTHORITY OF "WAR CABINET LEVEL". PENNSYLVANIA RR AND B & O RR HAVE

NOTIFIED TO THAT SPECIAL TRAINS AND CARS HAVE BEEN APPLIED FOR. ATTENDANCE

NOT NECESSARILY LIMITED SEATING CAPACITY OF 1650 PERSONS. CAPITAL TRANSIT

CO HAS BEEN ASKED TO FURNISHING CHARTER BUSES FROM UNION STATION TO

AUDITORIUM AND TO CAPITOL, INDICATING PURPOSE IS MASS LOBBYING. INFORMANTS

HAVE ADVISED CRC HAS OFFERED ASSISTANCE, AS WELL AS NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD.

RESERVATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE AT DUNBAR HOTEL FOR WILLIAM L. PATTERSON AND

GEORGE MARSHALL OF CRC, NEW YORK. LESLIE PERRY MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR NAACP

THIS OFFICE PLANS NO INVESTIGATION OF NAACP ITSELF. ABOVE FOR INFO.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
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Attention: [redacted] (b)(7)(c)
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A NEW YORKER SHOULD KNOW BETTER.....

than to advocate jimcrow theaters. But apparently Marcus Heiman does not. He lives in New York: his main office is in New York, in the midst of the nation's theater center, where persons are sold tickets regardless of color.

Yet he stands stubbornly for discrimination at his National Theater in Washington and his Ford's Theater in Baltimore. He transformed the National Theater into a movie rather than comply with the policy of Actors Equity of refusing to play before segregated audiences.

In Baltimore, although the Maryland Theater has been operating on a non-segregated basis, Ford's Theater continues its jimcrow policy. A picket line is being maintained there by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Well known personalities have appealed to Mr. Heiman without avail. On this Lincoln's Birthday we are for the first time appealing to Mr. Heiman in his own home town. We hope you New Yorkers will join us by writing him at 234 West 44th St. Tell him that a New Yorker should know better.

Committee of Racial Equality
7 East 15th Street
New York 3, N.Y.

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NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1949

Senate Inquiry Warns of Red Riots in Cities

Quotes F.B.I. Informant on Negro Incitement, Party's Aids in Show Business

From the Herald Tribune Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Communists are so strongly organized that police in most large cities "do not have forces sufficiently strong to cope with disorders which might arise through the instigation of the party," according to a warning released tonight by a Congressional committee.

The warning is that of John J. Huber, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., given in October before the Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Mr. Huber was identified by Senator Pat McCarran, Democrat, of Nevada, committee chairman, as having been "an undercover agent in the Communist party for many years"—an F.B.I. informant inside the party from 1938 to 1947.

Says Harlem Is Aroused

"In Harlem, Negroes are so aroused at the present time by Communist agitators such as Ben Davis, Henry Winston and others that a spark might be sufficient to set off race riots in New York City," Mr. Huber declared. As examples of the inability of police to cope with Communist-inspired demonstrations, he cited "the utter disregard the Communist party had for police orders and the New York City police forces during a Communist demonstration on City Hall" in March, 1939, and the recent Paul Robeson Peekskill concert incident.

"Stricter attention should be paid," he said, "to the danger which lies slumbering in Negro communities. Throughout the United States, such Negro sections are being used by the Communist party rabble-rousers and propagandists as a potent weapon of dissatisfaction. Negroes are promised social equality by Communists, and are being brought into the party fold where they are being educated to sympathize with the principles of Communism and 'equality'."

Asked what occupation or profession had been "most successfully infiltrated by Communists," Mr. Huber said: "I would say the entertainment industry—show business. I believe that the Communist party made a special effort in this field because of the tremendous propaganda value that they can get from this source. First of all, because they can introduce their propaganda where it will be received by the masses in the easiest-to-take form and without any suspicion. Secondly, show business is important because the people in it are well known and liked and listened to by the people, so that if their names are used by the Communists and Communist fronts they make a great impression on the masses."

Notes N. J. Children's Camp

He named several prominent show-business people who he said were known Communists. Earlier in his testimony he had discussed alleged Communist indoctrination of children at Pleasant Grove, N. J., in Camp Wo-Chi-Ca, the name being a contraction of 'Workers' Children's Camp. He described many parties held to raise funds for the camp.

Mr. Huber described the Jefferson School of Social Science, at 575 Sixth Avenue, New York City, as being "set up as the Communist party's chief indoctrination school with particular emphasis on labor unionism."

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[redacted] Michigan

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Mr Edgar J. Hoover:

Dear Sir

Recently have become affiliated with the N.A.A.C.P. and since have read articles and heard rumors that the N.A.A.C.P. is Communistic.

I want nothing to do with an organization that is communistic.

Will you please inform me as to the standing of the N.A.A.C.P. with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and thus settle my doubts one way or the other.

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Dear [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

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Your letter postmarked February 6, 1950, has been received.

While I would like to be of service in connection with your inquiry, information in the files of the FBI is required to be maintained as confidential and for official use only. No inference should be drawn, however, that we do or do not have in our files information concerning the organization mentioned in your letter, because of my inability to be of assistance.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing some material of public record which is available for distribution by this Bureau and which I thought might be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

The need of 1949
How to fight Communism
Director's testimony before the House
Self-addressed 3¢ stamped envelope

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [redacted], FBI

DATE: 3-6-50

FROM : SAC, New Haven

SUBJECT: NAACP
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A photostatic copy of this mimeographed flyer is being forwarded to the Bureau as an enclosure to this letter, and photostatic copy is also being forwarded to the Cleveland and New York Offices with their copy of this letter.

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cc: Cleveland (encl.)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: March 10, 1950

SUBJECT: NATIONAL EMERGENCY CIVIL RIGHTS MOBILIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated January 12, 1950, concerning the above captioned matter, in which the Bureau directed the Washington Field Office to limit its investigation of the National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization held in Washington, January 15, 16 and 17, 1950, to the utilization of reliable and established sources only.

The National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization was initiated by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and was sponsored by 53 other organizations. It is noted that the sponsoring organizations have not been cited by the Attorney General as being subversive or Communist dominated. The only organization which has been cited, and which is a sponsoring organization, is the National Lawyers Guild which was cited as a Communist front by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Most of the sponsoring organizations were negro organizations. The next largest sponsoring groups were various Jewish groups, including the American Jewish Congress, the American Jewish Committee, and the Anti-Defamation League. Many CIO and AFL unions were likewise sponsors.

Scheduled speakers were ROY WILKINS, the Acting Secretary of the NAACP; Senators WAYNE MORSE of Oregon and HUBERT HUMPHREY of Minnesota; A. PHILIP RANDOLPH; Representatives JACOB JAVITS and ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, both of New York; Senators IRVING M. IVES of New York and SCOTT W. LUCAS of Illinois, and Representative WILLIAM L. DAWSON of Illinois. The Americans for Democratic Action was represented by CHARLES M. LaFOLLETTE, National Director, who presided at one of the sessions.

The Washington press reported that over four thousand delegates were registered with the mobilization. It has not come to the attention of this office that any permanent organization grew out of this Civil Rights Mobilization, and the activities of the Mobilization were limited strictly to civil liberties, and pressuring members of Congress to pass a permanent FEPC bill. Approximately 90 per cent of the delegates were negroes, and it was observed by informants and other observers that the delegates were of a high type, being from the professional classes, ministers, teachers and white collar workers. The Mobilization, at all times, was orderly. The largest group of delegates came from New York where over 1500 were registered. Maryland, mainly Baltimore, provided the next largest delegation - 750. New Jersey and Illinois sent 250 each. Press reports stated that representatives from 33 States were present and even California provided six delegates.

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March 10, 1970

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In fact, the Washington Afro-American for January 17, 1970, in screaming headlines stated that 800 were barred from being accredited to the Mobilization on the grounds that the 800 applicants were members of Communist dominated organizations. Other press reports put the figure as low as 400 who were barred as being representatives of Communist dominated and infiltrated organizations.

The Washington Evening Star, in an editorial in commenting on the screening of the Communists by the Mobilization, stated that the Communists and Communist sympathizers have just as much right to join in the fight for civil rights as anyone else, but the times have changed. "There has been an awakening in the land. Those self-styled liberals who once made common cause with the Communists, and who shouted red baiter at any critic of their tactics, have seen the light. They have come to the realization that the Communists are not as interested in civil rights as they are in using the civil rights issue to bolster the cause of Communism, and stated Communists are barred from the meeting".

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March 10, [illegible]

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The Police Department reported that no incidents were involved during the Mobilization, and that the Mobilization was very orderly.

There being no further investigation in this office, this matter is being considered Closed.

CC: New York
Newark
Baltimore
Chicago

CC: 100-2941

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 14, 1950

FROM : SAC, Boston

SUBJECT: [redacted] NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE INFORMATION CONCERNING

The 1950 Convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is scheduld to be held in Boston, Mass., during June, 1950.

It is anticipated by this office that officials of the Communist Party, USA, District No. 1, with headquarters at Boston, Mass., will interest themselves in connection with the program and convention activities of the NAACP, predicated upon their interest in the activities of this organization and their attempt to infiltrate various chapters.

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Director, FBI March 14, 1950

[redacted] This information is being called to the attention of the Bureau with the request that the Bureau advise whether any particular field office has been designated as office of origin in connection with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, a national organization, and further, what preliminary activity, if any, beyond the contact set forth in this memorandum, should be had with respect to the NAACP National Convention in the absence of any specific indication on the part of the Communist Party, either at Boston or elsewhere, that they intend to concern themselves with the proceedings.

The Bureau and New York Office are requested to advise Boston in the event there is any indication of such activity on the part of the Communist Party.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
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Reference is made to your memorandum of March 14, 1950, concerning the plans of the captioned organization to hold its 1950 Convention in Boston during June. You inquired as to which office is origin in this matter and what preliminary inquiry if any was desired in providing coverage of the Convention.

No investigation of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is being conducted by the Bureau. As set forth in SAC Letter No. 128 dated September 30, 1947, all offices have been instructed to submit to the Bureau any information obtained from reliable and established sources indicating Communist infiltration, influence or control of local NAACP chapters. Such information should be reported under the title "Communist Infiltration of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, _____ Division," with the reporting office as origin.

It is desired that coverage of the 1950 Convention be limited to reliable and established sources and newspaper accounts. As soon as possible subsequent to the Convention, a report should be submitted to the Bureau under the above-mentioned caption with your office as origin. This report should contain a brief resume of the principal activities of the Convention, a list of the newly elected national officers, and any information indicating Communist infiltration, influence or control of the Convention.

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The Attorney General

March 30, 1950

Director, FBI

I thought you might be interested in the attached copy of a letter from Mr. C. Paul Lockwood, Chairman of a Special Committee of the New York Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This letter is the culmination of correspondence initiated by Mr. Lockwood's letter of February 24, 1950, in which he advised of the receipt of reports that methods used in loyalty checks in the various government departments were "still invading the civil rights of individuals and bringing about a lowering of the morale of those involved."

In reply on March 1, 1950, I wrote to Mr. Lockwood requesting him to furnish identifying details with regard to any specific cases he had in mind and advising him that the FBI always welcomed honest criticism of the manner in which we discharge our responsibilities.

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February 24, 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reports have come to our office that the methods used in loyalty checks in the various governmental departments are still invading the civil rights of individuals and bringing about a lowering of the morale of those involved. Even in cases where the security of the country is not involved, we learned that questions are being asked as to ones political beliefs and as to the various organizations he has been affiliated with.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Paul Lockwood

Paul Lockwood
Chr. Special Committee

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Dear Mr. Lockwood:

Your letter of February 24, 1950, has been received.

As Director of the FBI, I have always welcomed honest criticism of the manner in which we are discharging our responsibilities, and I shall continue to do so. If the cases to which you refer in your letter relate to activities of this Bureau, I would appreciate your identifying them with sufficient exactness to permit a thorough examination of the facts involved.

I shall be grateful for an early reply from you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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March 13, 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Yours of the first at hand. We find now that three of the cases brought up on charges by your Bureau have been exonerated. Aside from this we find no other such cases of your Bureau.

At this time, Sir, we want to commend you very highly for the efficient and the fair way in which you have conducted your office. Such things as refusing to hand over your records to Congressional committees, we feel, is protecting the integrity and the prestige of government service. We also want to commend you for your fairness in the hiring of Negroes.

With every good wish.

Yours very sincerely,

Paul Lockwood

G. Paul Lockwood
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Dear Mr. Lockwood:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 13, 1950.

I am pleased to learn that the cases you mentioned have come to conclusions satisfactory to you.

I particularly appreciated your kind remarks relative to the manner in which I have discharged my responsibilities as Director of the FBI, and I do hope that this Bureau will always merit your confidence.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE - PHILADELPHIA DIVISION	INTERNAL SECURITY [redacted]

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Branches, membership figures, general activities, and identity of officers set out. Alleged Communist-dominated group headed by former Magistrate JOSEPH H. RAINEY and GOLDIE E. WATSON continued to control the Philadelphia Branch during 1947 and 1948, and marked membership losses noted. Philadelphia Branch Nominating Committee announced that leadership for 1949 must be divorced from political activity and "left wing support"; however, [redacted] (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] Communist Party, Socialist Workers Party, and Independent Socialist League activities noted in the Philadelphia Branch throughout the period 1947 to date. Socialist Workers Party and Independent Socialist League activities confined to Philadelphia Branch and the CP activity in other branches noted in only limited instances.

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DETAILS: The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Communist Party, USA, District 3, Socialist Workers Party, and the Independent Socialist League (formerly known as the Workers Party) will be referred to hereinafter in this report as the NAACP, CP USA, District 3, SWP, and ISL.

The following organizations referred to in this report have been declared by the Attorney General to be within the purview of Executive Order 9835. These organizations are being set out in the column appearing on the left and will be referred to in this report as designated in the column appearing on the right.

1.	International Workers Order	IWO
2.	Philadelphia Council of American-Soviet Friendship	PCASF
3.	American Council for a Democratic Greece	ACDG
4.	Congress of American Women	CAW
5.	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee	JAFRC
6.	Civil Rights Congress	CRC
7.	Philadelphia School of Social Science and Art	PSSSA
8.	American Youth for Democracy	AYD
9.	National Negro Congress	NNC
10.	American Committee for Spanish Freedom	ACSF
11.	Tom Paine School of Social Science, Philadelphia, Pa.	TPSSS
12.	Southern Negro Youth Congress	SNYC
13.	National Federation for Constitutional Liberties	NFCL
14.	Council on African Affairs	CAA

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I. ORIGIN, SCOPE, AND GENERAL ACTIVITIES

A. BRANCHES AND MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

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Total membership of the Philadelphia Branch has been publicized by various newspapers as follows:

MEMBERSHIP	PUBLICATION
17,000	The Philadelphia Edition of The Pittsburgh Courier, 12/14/46
10,311	The Pittsburgh Courier, 9/13/47

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MEMBERSHIP	PUBLICATION
13,000	The Philadelphia Afro-American, 12/6/[illegible]
12,000	The Philadelphia Afro-American, 4/3/[illegible]
5,000	The Pittsburgh Courier, 10/2/48
6,000	The Philadelphia Tribune, 7/2/49

B. GENERAL ACTIVITIES

There will be set out in this subsection various activities, individual cases, and campaigns participated in by the NAACP. In those instances in which no CP USA, District 3, SWP, or ISL activity has been determined, the particular activity will be discussed in this subsection. Those activities in which CP USA, District 3, SWP, or ISL activity has been determined will be discussed in Section IV of this report under subsection B, entitled "Campaigns".

1. The State College Case

The December 11, 1948 final city edition of The Philadelphia Inquirer on page 13, column 1, reported that various members of the student body of Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa., picketed five of the six local barber shops in protest against refusal to cut the hair of negro students. The picketing reportedly started after the Campus Chapter of the NAACP reported that MITCHELL WILLIAMS, a negro track star from Philadelphia, had been denied a hair cut. This article further reported that action by the Campus Chapter of the NAACP prior to picketing consisted of sending students to the six shops at which time five refused service.

2. John Jackson Case

The June 21, 1949 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune on page 3, column 6, reported that the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP, was sponsoring the case of JOHN JACKSON, a 14 year old negro youth who was allegedly beaten by Patrolman WILLIAM FOX, a Philadelphia police officer, after being charged with stealing the latter's groceries.

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The July 2,1949 edition of The Philadelphia Afro-American on page 1, column 4, reported that JACKSON was represented by THEODORE SPAULDING, NAACP attorney, and stated that complaints had been filed with the Philadelphia Police Department and Civil Service Board in an attempt to have FOX suspended from duty until the assault case had been tried. This article further reported that the NAACP, while awaiting a grand jury indictment against FOX, who was under $1,000 bail for court, was preparing to institute a civil suit for damages against the officer.

3. Lincoln University Case

In December, 1949, small groups of students attending Lincoln University near Oxford, Pa., were refused service at local restaurants and when attending local theatres, refused to be segregated. [redacted] (b)(7)(C) These individuals were represented by THEODORE SPAULDING and all were released without fine except [redacted] who was fined $10.00. This incident was followed by similar activities on the part of the student body of Lincoln University, however, on a much larger scale, and eventually culminated in the closing of the Oxford Theatre by the owner until he received assurances that his policy of segregation of patrons would be enforced. [redacted] (b)(2), (b)(6)(C)

The January 10, 1950 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune on page 1, column 1, reported that CHRIS VERGIS, owner of the Oxford Hotel and Coffee Room, and JOSEPH CROWL, owner-manager of the Oxford Theatre, were being held on $200 bond awaiting action by the grand jury. VERGIS and CROWL were charged with having violated the Pennsylvania Civil Rights Act of 1939 after having been arrested on warrants sworn to by JACQUES E. WILMORE, GAYRAUD S. WILMORE, RALPH ANDERSON, and BENJAMIN F. HOLMAN.

The March 11, 1950 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune on page 2, column 3, reported that the Chester County Grand Jury had refused to return indictments in this case. Further action is contemplated according to this article, in the nature of direct appeals to Governor JAMES H. DUFF and application for injunctive relief in the Federal Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

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JOSEPH H. RAINEY

[redacted] In January, 1947, WALTER WHITE, National Executive Secretary of the NAACP expressed concern over the Philadelphia Branch, especially JOSEPH H. RAINEY and GOLDIE R. WATSON, who, according to informant, are known to be strong followers of the CP line. Informant stated that WHITE was at a loss as to just what steps should be taken to oust RAINEY and WATSON inasmuch as there was insufficient evidence

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[redacted] initiate an investigation of the Philadelphia Branch by the National [redacted] Office. WHITE stated that the Philadelphia Branch would lose much of its support from many of the influential whites and most of the negro followers if activities of the Philadelphia Branch were conducted under the direction of RAINEY and WATSON. [redacted] another Government agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, 1/24/47)

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On October 19, 1947, SAS [redacted] and [redacted] attended the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, Inc Convention held at the Y.M.H.A., Broad and Pine Streets, Philadelphia. RAINEY spoke on behalf of the NAACP, stating that the problems facing the negro and Jewish people were analogous and advocated cooperation between the two organizations.

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The Philadelphia Tribune on March 9, 1948 announced RAINEY's candidacy for Congress from the 4th Congressional District on the Progressive Party ticket.

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The February 10, 1949 edition of the Evening Bulletin on page 4, column 1, reported that RAINEY in his last days as the Philadelphia Branch President, sponsored a resolution which was adopted stating that any NAACP member could be an official representative of the NAACP in the Freedom Crusade to Washington, D. C. held January 17 and 18, 1949, which was sponsored by the CRC.

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REV. DANIEL E. POLING

During July, 1947, his name appeared on literature of the PCASF as an official of this organization. According to informant, POLING subsequently withdrew from this organization, it being his opinion that the Council was not acting in the best interests of the United States. [redacted] another Government agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, 7/31/47) b2

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REV. E. LUTHER CUNNINGHAM

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The March 19, 1949 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune, on page 1, column 4, contained an article entitled "Leaders Here Repudiate Use of Names on Congress Mail" in which CUNNINGHAM was quoted as follows:

> "I can't get my name off their literature. They refuse to take it off. It is one of the snide Commie tricks. They should bring their letterheads up to date."

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Information concerning the Free Jenkins Committee will be set out under Section IV of this report.

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Secretary - ALICE SAULESBURY

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Treasurer	MRS. ELIZABETH BOYER

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MRS. VIOLA P. ALLEN

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III. STATED AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

In connection with activities of the NAACP in the State of Pennsylvania, the National Office of the NAACP declared that the aims and objectives of this organization were as follows: [redacted]

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the program to promote equality of rights and eradicate [illegible] race prejudice among the citizens of the United States;

b. Advance the interests of the colored citizens; secure for them impartial suffrage; and increase their opportunities for justice and equal education.

IV. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

Unless otherwise specified, all information set out under this section pertains to the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP.

A. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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the election strategy would be as follows:

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1. That each key person would keep in constant contact with persons friendly toward them and endeavor to have at least 20 persons present at the election meeting.

2. That Magistrate JOSEPH H. RAINEY, WILLIAM C. WINGATE, RUSSELL WATSON, and GOLDIE E. WATSON would each have 50 persons present at the election meeting.

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persons responsible for a block of people [illegible]

[illegible] duty [illegible] of the situation and informed [illegible]

7. That the ballot containing the names of the nominees recommended by the Nominating Committee not be exposed to any employee of the local branch of the NAACP until the night of the election.

8. That all ballots be printed.

9. That each person attending the election meeting be checked at the door by three persons selected by the Nominating Committee to ascertain whether or not they were paid-up members. If not, then they be denied admittance to the meeting.

7. That careful consideration be given to the selection of persons counting the ballots in order to insure that an honest count be given.

8. That the membership files in the office of the local branch be removed to the election meeting hall one hour before the meeting convened and that competent persons, excluding present employees of the local branch, assist in checking persons from the files as they entered the hall.

9. That Magistrate JOSEPH H. BARNEY preside at the first part of the meeting until the nominees were named, at which point he would turn the meeting over to VIOLA ALLEN who would read the names of the nominees, at which point the chair would be turned over to RUSSELL WATSON who would conduct the meeting from that point on.

RUSSELL WATSON was a Communist Party candidate for Magistrate in the Fall of 1937 election in the City of Philadelphia, and by his own statement was a member of the CP District Buro in 1938 during which year he was ousted from the CP on charges of petty bourgeois and nationalist tendencies. [redacted] another Government Agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, 7/1/49) b2

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At a meeting held under the auspices of the Philadelphia Chapter, NNC, on January 21, 1941 at the St. Joseph's Baptist Church, 1440 North Warnock Street, Philadelphia, Pa., [redacted] was introduced as a member of the Executive Board of the NNC and spoke urging those in attendance to join the NNC. [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

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The November 19, 1948 edition of the Evening Bulletin on page 4, column 1, reported that JOSEPH H. RAINEY had agreed not to run for the office of President of the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP for the year 1949. This article further reported that the Nominating Committee was working on presidential candidates and had agreed that the next President of the Philadelphia Branch must be permanently divorced from politics and free of any "left wing" support.

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B. CAMPAIGNS

1. Activities To Secure The Adoption of Fair Employment Practices Legislation

Throughout the period covered by this report, the Philadelphia Branch has participated in activities to secure the passage of Fair Employment Practices legislation through the Good Government Committee of the Philadelphia Branch chaired by GOLDIE WATSON.

In February, 1947, a joint legislative conference was held in Harrisburg, Pa. between Philadelphia [redacted] Pittsburgh Communist Party functionaries, at which time it was [redacted] legislation would be the immediate goal of the Communists of Pennsylvania. It was decided that [redacted] this legislation would be directed by [redacted] (b)(7)(C) (b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] (b)(7)(C), another Government agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, 5/8/44) (b)(2)

[redacted] was one of the sponsors of a dinner held in honor of Congressman JOHN M. COFFEE under the auspices of the ACSF at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa. on March 21, 1946. (b)(7)(C) (b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

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MERTSON reported to the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP, concerning the activities of the Pennsylvania State Committee for FEPC, and through her efforts the Philadelphia Branch officially endorsed the proposed FEPC bill as drafted by this organization. It was announced that all Branch FEPC activity would be directed by the Good Government Committee. [redacted] another Government agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, 12/11/46)

Various organizations in Philadelphia refused to support the Philadelphia Committee for FEPC inasmuch as it was felt that [redacted] domination of FEPC activities was indicative of Communist control. [redacted]

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2. Edward A. Haley Case

The following is a resume of the EDWARD A. HALEY case:

JOSEPH CONNOR, 19 years of age, was fatally stabbed by HALEY on June 8, 1947 following a wedding reception held at the Brith Achim Hall, 11th and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. The HALEY family resided on the upper floors of this building. HALEY was subsequently arrested, convicted, and sentenced on November 12, 1947 to serve an indeterminate term in the State Industrial School for Boys, Camp Hill, Pa. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania which upheld HALEY's conviction on a charge of voluntary manslaughter. An appeal was also taken to the Supreme Court of the United States which declined to intervene in this matter. On November 22, 1949, HALEY was granted a pardon by Governor JAMES H. DUFF of the State of Pennsylvania.

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[redacted] A leaflet published by the Philadelphia Chapter, [redacted] entitled "Do You Care?", reported the formation of the Haley Defense Committee, the retaining of attorneys to defend HALEY, and solicited contributions to the CRC for this purpose.

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3. Rosa Lee Ingram Case

Mrs. ROSA LEE INGRAM and two sons, WALLACE and SAMMIE LEE INGRAM, were tried in the State of Georgia during February, 1948 for the murder of JOHN E. STAFFORD. STAFFORD was allegedly slain by WALLACE INGRAM on November 4, 1947 when STAFFORD reportedly attacked Mrs. INGRAM. All three defendants were found guilty of first degree murder and received the death sentence. A third son, JACKSON INGRAM, was sentenced to serve 12 months for the theft of STAFFORD's pocketbook. Execution of the death sentence was postponed on three occasions at which time motions for a new trial were heard. A new trial was denied, however, on each occasion, and on April 6, 1948 the death sentence received by each defendant was commuted to life imprisonment.

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The March 23, 1948 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune on page 1, column 7, reported that MORRIS SHAFRITZ had been selected as Treasurer of the above committee.

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4. Walter Weymon Case

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5. John Fred Simpson Case

At 1:30 AM, March 6, 1949, a group of 39 individuals were arrested by officers of the Philadelphia Police Department at the home of JOHN FRED SIMPSON, 2222 North Page Street, Philadelphia, Pa., where a social meeting of the SWP was in progress. SIMPSON, on arrest, declared that the meeting was being held on behalf of BAYARD JENKINS and was sponsored by the SWP. All individuals arrested were subsequently released

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without [redacted] with the exception of SIMPSON who was charged with operating a disorderly house and was released on $500 bail awaiting action by the grand jury. A true bill was subsequently returned against SIMPSON by the grand jury.

In preparing SIMPSON's defense, the SWP was confronted with the problem as to whether SIMPSON should admit his membership in the SWP, which, it was felt by the SWP, could result in the disclosure of SWP Organizers as well as the necessity of an Organizer appearing as a spokesman for the group. To preclude the possibility of this situation occurring, the SWP attempted to interest the local branch of the NAACP in SIMPSON's defense, and he personally attended NAACP meetings to solicit their assistance, during which time the SWP used this means to recruit new members for their group. The SWP were unsuccessful, however, in securing NAACP endorsement of this case, it being the opinion of the local branch that the matter would have to be sanctioned by the National Office inasmuch as a political party was involved. Joining with the opposition in refusing NAACP endorsement of the SIMPSON case was [redacted] and other members of the Free Jenkins Committee within the NAACP. (b)(7)(C)

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The SWP then discontinued its official connection with the SIMPSON case; however, followed the case closely until October 17, 1949 at which time the case was dismissed in Quarter Sessions Court, Philadelphia. [redacted] (b)(2)

6. Bayard Jenkins Case

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The May 14, 1949 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune reported on page 2, column 1, that the local branch had concluded that it could not take an active part in the JENKINS case because of the activities of other organizations whose policies were contrary to NAACP "ideologies". LESTER P. BAILEY, Assistant Field Secretary, NAACP, speaking for the Philadelphia Branch, named the Communist Party as being among the organizations which BAILEY alleged were operating under various names to conceal their true identity.

The SWP fraction within the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP, also mobilized their members to form a Jenkins Committee in opposition to the Free Jenkins Committee, the members of which they referred to as "Stalinists". [redacted] (b)(2)

7. Paul Robeson Case

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[redacted] within the [redacted] Philadelphia Branch [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

[redacted] they did not agree with ROBESON politically but felt [redacted] would take a stand with the Communists against "red-baiting". [redacted] stated that this incident served as convincing evidence to her that the local branch was completely dominated by the Communist Party as the views of this group within the NAACP were in complete accord with the CP line. [redacted] (b)(2)

8. Lillian Gilyard Case

The December 25, 1949 edition of the Philadelphia Inquirer on page 4, column 6, reported that the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP, had asked Governor JAMES H. DUFF to call special session of the State Legislature to impeach Judge GEORGE G. PARRY, Philadelphia County Court of Quarter Sessions, for his alleged mishandling of the case of Mrs. LILLIAN GILYARD. The article further reported that GILYARD, mother of nine children, was sentenced to jail with her seven months old son after being charged with defrauding the State Department of Public Assistance. GILYARD was charged with not reporting $587 earned by her as a waitress and domestic, which amount should have been deducted from her relief allowance over a 2½ year period.

Subsequent to GILYARD's release, after restitution of the amount owed by her in relief allowances had been made by various private citizens, the Communist Party attempted to capitalize on Judge PARRY's actions. Under the guidance of District 3, CP USA, the Philadelphia Chapter, CRC, issued a press release calling for Judge PARRY's removal from the bench. [redacted] (b)(2)

9. National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization

The NAACP on a national basis in the Fall of 1949 organized a National Committee on Civil Liberties which, in the Philadelphia Branch, became known as the Committee on Civil Rights and was chaired by GOLDIE WATSON. The activities of this committee were confined at this time to preparing for the National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization to be attended on a national scale in Washington, D. C. on January 15, 16 and 17, 1950.

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The February, 1950 edition of Political Affairs, (stated in this issue to be a magazine devoted to the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism,) contained an article written by EDWARD STRONG entitled "On the 40th Anniversary of the NAACP" in which STRONG commented on the mobilization and United Front tactics within the NAACP as follows:

"The growing sentiments of the NAACP membership for the launching of really mass struggle for civil rights broke through however at the 40th Annual Convention and for the first time a convention of the Association officially stressed mass action . . . On the instructions of the Convention, the National Office undertook to organize a national mobilization to convene in Washington January 15, 16 and 17 to demand immediate action by Congress on civil rights legislation.

"The clear intention of the convention was that all forces sincerely interested in civil rights were to be invited to participate in this struggle. Imagine the consternation of the negro people upon learning that ROY WILKINS had issued an edict excluding from the mobilization ten progressive-led unions, which possess the best record among American trade unions in the struggle for Negro rights.

" . . . They were proposing to take the mighty struggle for civil rights unfolding among the Negro masses and place it under the exclusive jurisdiction of Right-wing and Social-Democratic forces . . . They proposed to isolate the Communists and all Left and

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progressive forces from this movement . . . By this step they propose to split the movement for Negro rights at a time when the prime necessity for victory is united action. . .

"During the last few years, the Left and progressive forces in the Association have at times exhibited a number of incorrect tendencies in their work which, if persisted in, would impede their efforts to build the organization into a powerful force in the Negro liberation movement.

"Some of the Left and progressive forces have occasionally fallen into sectarian tendencies, maintaining that it is 'impossible' for them to bring about any changes in the Association due to the domination of the reformist and Social-Democratic leadership. . .

". . . This sectarian approach confuses the reformist and Social-Democratic leadership with the membership; it fails to see the currents that are developing among the Negro people as a whole and among the membership itself . . . It does not recognize the fact that the Negro people have not accepted and will not accept the line of capitulation advanced by WILKINS and WHITE. These facts are illustrated, not only by the events at the 40th convention, but by the subsequent refusal of many sections of the organization to accept the Wilkins edict excluding Left-progressive unions from the civil rights mobilization.

"Another incorrect tendency exhibited by many Left and progressive forces in the Association is that of accepting fully and without question the interpretation given to NAACP policy by Right-wing elements and by certain national staff members. . .

"The progressive forces in the Association that fall into this tendency work without a correct understanding of United Front policy. . .

"Progressives must recognize the important role of the organization as a key force in the struggle for a united Negro people's movement. They should work for a policy of uniting the rank and file of the Association with sections of the leadership, wherever possible, in fighting for a militant program to advance the movement of the Negro people against their national oppressors--Wall Street and the proponents of the Truman-bipartisan doctrines.

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"This united front should be extended and develop into a conscious part of the progressive movement, recognizing its role as part of the progressive trend generally. Inevitably, such a movement would expose the Social-Democratic and reformist misleadership. The Negro people must come to see clearly the basic difference between Social-Democratic and reformist policies on the one hand and a clear-cut anti-imperialist policy on the other."

C. SUBVERSIVE CONNECTIONS OF OTHER INDIVIDUALS ACTIVE IN THE NAACP

1. Executive Boards of the Philadelphia Branch

The names of the individuals who have been previously discussed in this report under preceding sections, or as members of the Executive Board for the preceding years, will be noted by an asterisk before the name.

a. 1947 [redacted] another Government agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, 12/11/46). (b)(2)

On December 10, 1946, 30 individuals were elected to the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Branch. Of these 30 individuals the following are known to the Philadelphia Office.

REV. WILLIAM J. HARVEY, III

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JULIUS BELCHER

[redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(D) (b)(1)

* GOLDIE E. WATSON

* ETHYLE LYMAS

[redacted] JONES

On January 21, 1944, SAS [redacted] and [redacted] attended a combined Lenin Memorial meeting and celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Daily Worker. Souvenir booklets were distributed which contained a section entitled "Outstanding Negro Leaders Greet the Daily Worker". RALPH JONES, editor of the Philadelphia Independent was quoted as follows:- "Your publication reflects the true spirit of Democracy."

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GERTRUDE WILLIAMS

[redacted] (b)(1)

(b)(2), (b)(7)(C)

* HELEN DUCKETT

* VIOLA P. ALLEN

CATHERINE PAPELL

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

(b)(2), (b)(7)(C)

* MORRIS SHAFRITZ

NATHAN EDELSTEIN

In March, 1946, [redacted] advised that NATHAN EDELSTEIN, a Philadelphia attorney, had allowed himself to become identified with various Communists because of his desire to become more influential through having his activities publicized. [redacted] (b)(2), (b)(7)(C)

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[redacted] PITTS

[redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(D)

* CELESTINE FULCHON

ROBERT N. C. NIX

[redacted] (b)(2), (b)(7)(D) (b)(2) (b)(7)(D)

During 1948, [redacted] learned that NIX had been a sponsor of the SNYC.]

The March 6, 1948 edition of The Pittsburgh Courier on page 17, column 6, reported that NIX was a sponsor of the Philadelphia Chapter, CRC.

The March 19, 1949 edition of The Philadelphia Tribune on page 1, column 4, reported that NIX denounced the use of his name on CRC literature and had requested that his name be removed as a sponsor.

* J. FLOSSIE REDDICK

REV. WILLIAM P. STEVENSON

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The January 31, 1949 edition of the Daily Worker reported that STEVENSON had joined with others in signing a statement protesting the selection of the federal grand jury which returned indictments against the 12 national CP leaders.

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REV. ARSIE LEE KENNEDY

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MAXWELL WINDHAM

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REV. D. W. HENRY

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

(b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

The March 12, 1949 edition of the Philadelphia Edition of The Pittsburgh Courier reported on page 1, column 1, that REV. D. W. HENRY had served as Chairman of an important committee in the NNC.

PHILIP VAN GELDER

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[redacted] (b)(1),

(b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

In June, 1949, VAN GELDER, as International Representative, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America - CIO, District 1, joined with other trade unionists in protesting the trial of the 11 national CP leaders. [redacted] (b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

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[redacted] J. L. MIMS [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

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ALPHONSO DEAL [redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(D)

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* REV. WILLIAM P. STEVENSON (b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

* GERTRUDE WILLIAMS

E. WASHINGTON RHODES [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

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The following information was available concerning the 30 individuals elected as members of the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Branch for the year 1949:

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* Magistrate JOSEPH H. RAINEY

* VIOLA P. ALLEN

* GERTRUDE WILLIAMS

* ALPHONSO DEAL

* HELEN DUCKETT

* CELESTINE FULCHON

* MRS. ARSIE LEE KENNEDY

* J. FLOSSIE REDDICK

* REV. WILLIAM P. STEVENSON

* E. WASHINGTON RHODES

* GOLDIE E. WATSON

* WILLIAM C. WINGATE

* ROSA PITTS

* HARRY GREENE

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THEODORE SPAULDING

[redacted] (b)(2)
(b)(7)(D)

The March 26, 1949, edition of the Philadelphia Edition of The Pittsburgh Courier reported on page 20, column 7, that THEODORE SPAULDING had sent the following registered letter to the office of the Philadelphia Chapter, CRC, 1831 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia:

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"Gentlemen:

[redacted] It has come to my attention that my name is listed [redacted] one of the sponsors of the Civil Rights Congress. I [redacted] no knowledge of having given permission for the use [redacted] my name and you are hereby requested to remove it immediately from such listing and its use in any communication public or private."

* ETHEL MANNING

SUSAN MASSEAUX

[redacted] (b)(7)(c)

d. 1950 [redacted]

[redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(D)

Inasmuch as individuals comprising the Executive Board for the year 1950 have been previously discussed in this report, they will not be further discussed under this subsection.

2. SWP

The SWP has made repeated attempts to overthrow the leadership of the local branch by alternately attempting to discredit the elected officials or neutralize their influence by attempting to surround them with a strong Executive Committee composed of SWP members of persons sympathetic to the SWP.

The SWP fraction within the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP, was led by [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

[redacted] constituted the SWP fraction at that time. [redacted] in assuming leadership of this group, severely criticized [redacted] for his failure to win friends for the SWP during his tenure as Chairman of the SWP fraction. [redacted] (b)(2)

3. ISL

[redacted] (b)(1)

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[redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(D)

4. Communist Activity in NAACP Youth Organizations

a. George Washington Carver Youth Council

Communist activity in this field has been carried onthrough the George Washington Carver Youth Council which was active in the South Philadelphia area.

The July 16, 1949 edition of the Philadelphia Edition of The Pittsburgh Courier on page 16, column 1, identified the officers of this Youth Council as follows:

President	GEORGE BROWN
Vice President	RALPH BEAN
Recording Secretary	HENRIETTA SAVAGE
Corresponding Secretary	CATHERINE RHINES
Treasurer	JESSE McREYNOLDS

[redacted] (b)(1)

(b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

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The August 20, 1949 edition of the Philadelphia Edition of The Pittsburgh Courier on page 1, column 1, reported that AURELIO STERLING, JR., President of the New York Youth Council, NAACP, had been sent to Philadelphia to investigate the activities of the George Washington Carver Youth Council. This article further reported that STERLING, in reporting the results of his investigation to Mrs. RUBY HURLEY, National Youth Secretary, NAACP, charged that "Communists have complete control of the group". The article further related that GEORGE BROWN, former President of the Carver group, resigned in protest against the encroachment of "leftist elements" and expressed agreement with STERLING's findings. BROWN reportedly was attempting to set up a North Philadelphia Youth Council in opposition to the Carver group.

[redacted] (b)(1)

C (b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

5. Participation of Delegates in NAACP National Conventions

[redacted] was elected as a delegate to the 1948 NAACP National Convention held in Kansas City, Mo. and was to receive money for her transportation expenses from [redacted] (b)(7)(C) (b)(2)

It was subsequently learned that [redacted] was accompanied by [redacted] reservations for both having made by [redacted] (b)(2), (b)(7)(C)

[redacted] (b)(1)

C (b)(2), (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] (b)(7)(E)

[redacted], (b)(7)(D)

6. Communist Activity in Membership Drives

The CP USA, District 3, was exhibiting considerable interest in the 1948 Membership Drive of the Philadelphia Branch, NAACP and leading negro CP members, including [redacted] and [redacted] were actively soliciting memberships under the direction of [redacted]. Applications for membership used by the Communist Party were secured by [redacted] fro[redacted] The Communist Party pledged it would place 500 new members in the NAACP, and it was reported that the CP USA, District 3, at one point during the drive, had secured 985 pledges. [redacted] (b)(3)(E) (b)(2)

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THE PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Will follow and report the activities of the NAACP within the Philadelphia Division.

AT HARRISBURG, PA.

Will, through contact with [redacted] attempt to obtain the identities of current officers of the various NAACP branches throughout this division together with pertinent information concerning current activities. (b)(2) (b)(7)(D)

THE NEW YORK DIVISION

AT NEW YORK CITY

One copy of this report has been designated for the New York Office for information purposes inasmuch as the National Offices of the NAACP are located in New York City.

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